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THEREOF  
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement of June 27, 2006, Applicants hereby provisionally elect Group III, claims 21-26, and concomitantly, species "SEQ ID NO. 4" for examination, with traverse. This paper is filed with a Petition for a one (1) month extension of time and the requisite fee to make this filing timely as of on or before August 27, 2006. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If no proper payment is enclosed, as by a check or credit card payment form being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge unpaid amounts to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If an extension of time is needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted here, Applicants petition for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorize payment of extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.